

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of	)	<b>MAIL STOP AMENDMENT</b>
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Hiroyoshi Shiozaki et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1794
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Application No.: 10/575,239	)	Examiner: Gerard T. Higgins
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Filed: April 10, 2006	)	Confirmation No.: 6998
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For: OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIUM	)	
AND COMPOUND USED FOR THE	)	
SAME	)	

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/UNITY OF INVENTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the restriction/unity of invention requirement set forth in the Official Action dated January 27, 2009, applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group I which currently contains claims 1-17, 23 and 24. This election is made without traverse and applicants reserve the right to pursue one or more divisional applications relating to the non-elected subject matter.

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning the present application, he is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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